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SUBJECT: MEETING OF PRC SUBCOMMITTEE ON TREATY
IMPLEMENTATION

REFERENCE: PANAMA 05870

1. FOLLOWING ARE HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PRC SUBCOMMITTEE
MEETING OF AUGUST 18:

A. RE TROPIC TEST CENTER, SOUTHCOM STILL HAS
NOT DETERMINED WHETHER OR NOT TTC IS TO BE CONSIDERED
"TRAINING." ALSO PAN CANAL HAS VOICED SOME OBJECTION
TO TTC USE OF CEIRO POLAD SITE. SOUTHCOM EXPECTS TO
RESOLVE BOTH MATTERS SHORTLY.

B. REPORTED THAT EMBASSY SHOULD BE EXPECTED TO
INSIST ON OFFICIAL REPRESENTATION ON BI-NATIONAL WORKING
GROUP IN VIEW OF MAJOR PRE-IMPLEMENTATION TREATY
RESPONSIBILITIES PROJECTED FOR AMBASSADOR. ALSO
PROPOSED THAT APPROPRIATE USAID REP BE INCLUDED AS
OFFICIAL OBSERVER IN ENVIRONMENTAL SUBCOMMITTEE
BECAUSE OF IMPORTANT LINKAGE BETWEEN UPCOMING USAID
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WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PROJECT, WHICH INCLUDES CANAL
WATERSHED, AND INVOLVEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SUB-
COMMITTEE IN CANAL WATERSHED ISSUES.

C. PAN CANAL CONFIRMED CONTINUED ILLEGAL
CONSTRUCTION (PRIVATE RESIDENCE) ON ONE FAA PARCEL
ON TABOGA ISLAND WHICH IT NO LONGER USES, BUT WHICH

IS LEGALLY PART OF THE CANAL ZONE. FAA HAS FORMALLY REQUESTED PAN CANAL TO CANCEL ITS LAND LICENSE FOR THIS PARCEL ONLY (FAA USES ANOTHER PARCEL ON TABOGA).

D. THERE WAS BRIEF DISCUSSION OF THE GAO TEAM PRESENCE IN PANAMA TO INVESTIGATE ALLEGED VIOLATION OF THE HANSEN AMENDMENT, ESPECIALLY REGARDING CONSTRUCTION OUTLAYS. THERE IS A REAL QUESTION HERE OVER WHAT WRONGS HAVE BEEN COMMITTED, SUGGESTING THAT A SIGNIFICANT DEFINITIONAL PROBLEM EXISTS. PAN CANAL FEARS FOR BUDGET OK'S AS A RESULT OF THIS MATTER.

E. THE STATUS OF OTHER CURRENT ISSUES WERE NOTED, SUCH AS APPARENT DOD AND PAN CANAL OBJECTION TO DRAFT FAA AGREEMENT, CUSTODY ACCOUNT ISSUE, DOD SCHOOLS POLICY, VIZ SPACE AVAILABLE BASIS FOR NON-COMMAND SPONSORED DEPENDENTS, IN LINE WITH DOD WORLDWIDE POLICY. JORDEN

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